



Goals and Objectives

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The foundation of any community plan is the establishment of specific goals and objectives to guide the actions set forth in the plan. The plan identifies important community goals that are expressions of Hampton's values and objectives, and are reflective of the majority's thoughts on issues that affect the Town. The goals are general policy statements. The objectives describe how goals can be achieved. The goals and objectives presented here are derived from previous plans, comments from town officials, and residents' input at public meetings.

Land Use

General:

- Goals
- To promote the orderly and economic growth and change of Hampton.
 - To provide adequate amounts of land suitable for each type of use, and allow for reasonable growth based on economic forecasts.

Objectives

- By allowing the utilization of land that is adequately drained and has suitable soils for development.
- By providing for adequate water supply, storm water drainage, and sanitary waste disposal for Hampton.
- By promoting zoning that insures the compatibility of land uses within the town.
- By the provision of adequate community services.
- By recognizing Hampton as an important regional resort area and encouraging the positive aspects of that image.
- By conservation of the Hampton Marshes.
- By considering soil capability when making local land development decisions.
- By ensuring that the extension of roads and services minimizes the length, cost, complexity, and future maintenance of the systems.
- By ensuring that building height and density of new development is consistent with the existing character of the Town.
- By recognizing the importance of Hampton's agricultural land and providing necessary means to protect and preserve these areas.

Residential:

- Goal
- To preserve and enhance the residential character in areas of housing in the Town.

Objectives:

- By preventing the incursion of incompatible, nonresidential uses into residential neighborhoods.

- By discouraging nonlocal traffic from passing through residential neighborhoods.

Goal -- To provide a variety of housing types to serve the residents of the town.

Objectives:

- By providing adequate natural light, ventilation, and open space for all types of housing.
- By improving the quality of resort housing to provide a high standard of amenity for the potential tourist population.
- By promoting affordable housing for the elderly population of Hampton.

Commercial:

Goal -- To maintain the Central Business District (CBD) as the main commercial center in the Town.

Objectives:

- By concentrating new year-round commercial development in the CBD and limiting strip commercial development.
- By providing adequate parking areas well located in relation to the CBD.
- By increasing the pedestrian amenities of the CBD.

Goal -- To supplement CBD commercial facilities.

Objective:

- By maintaining and improving the non-pedestrian oriented commercial facilities on U.S. 1 North of the CBD.

Goal -- To promote the development of resort commercial facilities that would be beneficial to the Town as a whole.

Objectives:

- By providing off-street parking with all new commercial developments.
- By maintaining a high standard of aesthetic control in visual design.
- By incorporating the concerns dealing with density, fire protection, flood control and preservation of natural recreational features into the Town's regulations.

Industrial:

Goal -- To promote new industrial development that does not adversely affect the quality of life.

Objectives:

- By providing that any new industrial areas have good access to main transportation facilities.
- By cooperating with new industrial development to provide adequate public utilities.

Goal -- To promote the improvement of existing industrial development.

Objectives:

- By improving highway access for existing industrial plants.
- By promoting standards for off-street parking and loading facilities, together with landscaping of industrial sites.
- By promoting standards to regulate hazardous materials and all forms of pollution.

Transportation

Goal -- To improve the efficiency of the major street network in the Town.

Objectives:

- By separating local and through traffic wherever feasible.
- By improving the major circulation system to carry projected traffic volumes.
- By keeping to a minimum the number and types of intersections of local roads with arterial streets.
- By promoting central parking facilities and mass transit, especially in the summer.

Goal -- To improve the internal street system.

Objectives:

- By anticipating the need for access to presently undeveloped areas
- By improving the circulation of traffic in and around the CBD.
- By improved subdivision design which provides for local collector streets and which facilitates intra circulation.
- By insuring that extension of the street network promotes desirable development.

Community Facilities

Public Schools:

Goal -- To maintain an adequate system of school facilities to provide a quality education for each citizen of Hampton.

Objectives:

- By providing an adequate number of classrooms and related facilities to for each school to serve all students in accordance with state school standards.
- By integrating school facilities and functions with other recreation and civic activities in an effort to promote the schools as community centers.
- By locating new elementary school facilities in close proximity to future residential concentrations.
- By expanding the Junior and Senior High Schools at their present sites when additional facilities become necessary.

Park and Recreation:

Goal -- To provide a wide range of recreation facilities to serve all age groups of the community.

Objectives:

- By locating playgrounds and other local parks to serve residential neighborhoods.
- By locating playgrounds for use in conjunction with school playgrounds.
- By locating public recreational areas in conjunction with Hampton's natural resources and historic points of interest.
- By providing adequate community recreational facilities.

Public Buildings and Facilities:

Goal -- To maintain a system of public buildings and facilities which can be used as service centers to the community.

Objectives:

- By providing adequate accommodation for governmental and other official activities based on anticipated growth and development patterns.
- By maintaining public buildings in an attractive condition so as to enhance the appearance of the community and promote civic pride.
- By providing adequate, conveniently located off-street parking for all public uses, wherever necessary.

Utilities

Water Supply:

Goal -- To provide a quality water supply to the Town.

Objectives:

- By providing a satisfactory level of service for fire protection for the Town.
- By protecting all aquifer recharge areas in Town.

Sanitary Sewerage:

Goal -- To see that all developed properties within the Town have an adequate level of sanitary sewerage.

Objectives:

- By expanding the sanitary sewerage system according to immediate and future needs, based on the priorities set forth in the Hampton 201 Facility Plan for Wastewater Collection and Treatment.
- By ensuring that the capacity of the wastewater treatment facility is not exceeded.
- By ensuring that adequate on-site septic systems are provided for development on land not serviced by the municipal sewer system.

Storm Drainage:

Goal -- To provide for adequate storm drainage throughout the Town.

Objectives:

- By completing and implementing the comprehensive storm drainage plan for the Town.
- By ensuring that new development provides for adequate on-site storm drainage and for adequate protection for downstream property.
- By regulating new building construction so that its vulnerability to storm water damage is minimized.

Solid Waste Disposal:

Goal -- To assure the Town of an adequate long-term solid waste disposal system.

Objectives:

- By exploring the alternatives to the present sanitary landfill.
- By implementing a solid waste disposal plan which:
 - ...provides for long-term cost effectiveness;
 - ...minimizes the potential for service interruption;
 - ...maintains the quality of the environment.

Historic Preservation

Goal --To encourage the preservation and enhancement of the Town's historic and scenic character.

Objectives:

- By conducting a historical resources survey to determine structures and places of historic and architectural value.
- By studying the feasibility of establishing a Historic District in Hampton.

Open Space & Land Conservation

Goal -- To encourage the protection of Hampton's natural resources.

Objectives:

- By establishing conservation areas to protect water resources and other unique natural resource areas.
- By providing funding for the purchase of land and easements to preserve open space.
- By preserving fresh and salt marshes through the application of a wetlands zoning ordinance.
- By encouraging and accepting gifts of land, buildings, easements and rights-of-way to the Town for the preservation of open space and land conservation.